

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK EXAMINER**

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED 3/26/07**

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**Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response**

[0001] In a telephone discussion (on July 9, 2007), the Examiner indicated that the proposed amendments did advance prosecution of the present application. Specifically, the Examiner indicated that the relied upon portion of the cited reference did not disclose clearly that the old operating system was deleted from within the pre-installation environment. The Examiner asked that the proposed amendments be submitted in a formal response and that he would review the cited art more thoroughly in light of the arguments presented.

**[0002]** This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.